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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of
Norbert BRUN et al.

MAIL STOP PETITIONS

Serial No. 10/743,710

Confirm. No. 8329

Filed December 24, 2003

Attn: Office of Petitions

PROJECTOR WITH TRANSVERSE LIGHT
SOURCE FOR AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.47(a)

MAIL STOP PETITIONS

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be accepted under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.47(a) even though the first listed inventor, namely Norbert BRUN cannot be located.

In response to the accompanying Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b), there is submitted herewith:

1) A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney listing all four inventors, but signed by the second inventor, namely Jean-Luc MEYRENAUD on his behalf, as well as on behalf of the non-signing inventor, Mr. Norbert BRUN;

2) Another Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney also listing all four inventors, but signed by the third and fourth named inventors, Kamislav FADEL and Xavier HELME-GUIZON on their behalf, as well as on behalf of the non-signing inventor, Mr. Norbert BRUN;

3) An assignment from Jean-Luc MEYRENAUD on behalf of a) VALEO VISION of Bobigny, France and b) RENAULT S.A.S. of Boulogne Billancourt, France, respectively;

4) Another assignment from Kamislav FADEL and Xavier HELME-GUIZON on behalf of a) VALEO VISION of Bobigny, France and b) RENAULT S.A.S. of Boulogne Billancourt, France, respectively; and

5) A declaration from Mrs. Véronique RENOUS-CHAN a French patent attorney of VALEO VISION, one of the herein named assignees, and a person having firsthand knowledge of the facts surrounding the inability to locate the non-signing inventor, Mr. Norbert BRUN. In her declaration, Mrs. Véronique RENOUS-CHAN states that on December 12, 2003 she personally sent to Mr. Norbert BRUN at his last known address, namely:

7, allée Jehan de Brie
77600 Guermantes, France

A registered letter, which included a complete copy of the specification, claims, drawings, and abstract (in French and English) together with a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney. She received the receipt acknowledgement back on January 2, 2004 indicating that her letter was not claimed by inventor BRUN, and was returned to her. Copies of the December 12, 2003 registered letter both in French and in English, as well as the postal receipt are attached to Mrs. Véronique RENOUS-CHAN's declaration.

Thereafter, Mrs. Véronique RENOUS-CHAN diligently investigated the online telephone directory, which is updated

in real-time, but showed no address for Mr. BRUN in his last town of residence. It is believed that Mr. BRUN has moved without leaving any forwarding address. Moreover, Mrs. Véronique RENOUS-CHAN declares that she has no information as to Mr. BRUN's new address, nor how to contact him.

Please note that items 3) and 4), the assignments, are being filed for recordation, via facsimile, on even date herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 25-0120 **the total sum of \$260**, as follows, \$130 for the requisite 37 CFR §1.17(h) petition fee under fee code 1460, and \$130 for the 37 CFR §1.16(e) surcharge for late filing of a declaration under fee code 1051.

In view of the above facts, and the accompanying documents, it is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be accepted under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.47(a), even though after diligent efforts the first-listed inventor, Norbert BRUN cannot be located to execute the application papers.

Respectfully submitted,

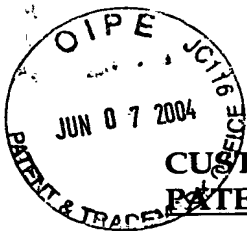
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Norbert BRUN & al
Serial No. :
Filed : December 24, 2003
For : **HEADLIGHT WITH A TRANSVERSE LIGHT SOURCE
FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE**

**DECLARATION OF FACTS IN SUPPORT OF FILING ON
BEHALF OF NON-SIGNING INVENTOR (37 C.F.R. § 1.47 (a))**

I, Véronique RENOUS CHAN hereby declare as follows :

1. I am a citizen of France and am employed by VALEO VISION ,
located at 34, rue Saint André, 93012 Bobigny, FRANCE;
2. I make this declaration on behalf of VALEO VISION, one of
the assignees of the above-identified patent application (the other assignee being
RENAULT S.A.S), as to the facts which are relied upon to establish the diligent effort
made to secure the execution of the declaration by the non-signing joint inventor, Norbert
BRUN.
3. I am patent attorney acting for VALEO VISION. I have first-
hand knowledge of the facts recited herein.

I. DETAILS OF INVENTOR NON-SIGNING OF THE APPLICATION PAPERS

4. The inventors of the above-identified patent application are
Norbert BRUN, Jean-Luc MEYRENAUD, Kamislav FADEL, Xavier HELME-GUIZON.
5. Inventor Norbert BRUN is a former employee of VALEO
VISION, who, along with the other joint inventors, invented the invention that is the
subject matter of the above-identified patent application during the course of their
employment by VALEO VISION or RENAULT S.A.S

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6. Joint inventors Jean-Luc MEYRENAUD, Kamislav FADEL, and Xavier HELME-GUIZON have each executed an assignment of their respective rights to the subject matter of the above-identified patent application to VALEO VISION and RENAULT S.A.S. A true copy of the assignments is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

7. Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 116 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), inventors Jean-Luc MEYRENAUD, Kamislav FADEL, and Xavier HELME-GUIZON executed the attached declaration on behalf of themselves and non-signing joint inventor BRUN.

8. As is set forth below, VALEO VISION has acted diligently and in good faith in making a *bona fide* attempt to obtain inventor BRUN'S execution of the application papers for the above-identified patent application.

On December 12, 2003, I personally sent for execution to inventor BRUN an assignment of his rights to the subject matter of the above identified patent application to VALEO VISION, together with a Declaration for Patent Application and the application papers (including the specification, claims, drawings and abstract). This mail was sent as registered mail with receipt acknowledgement.

I received the receipt acknowledgement back on January 2, 2004, indicating that my letter was not received by inventor BRUN. The executed papers have never been received by him. A copy of my letter, and the receipt acknowledgement (mentioning the date of presentation : December 15, 2003) are attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

9. I then investigated on on-line Telephone Directory for Mr. BRUN at his last known address. This Directory, which is updated in real time, showed no entry at all for Mr. BRUN at any address in his last known town of residence. Mr. BRUN has apparently moved without leaving a forwarding address. I have no information as to Mr BRUN's new address or how to contact him.

II. STATEMENT OF LAST KNOWN ADDRESS

10. Upon information and belief, Mr. BRUN's last known address was : 7, Allée Jehan de Brie, 77600 GUERMANTES, FRANCE;

11. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated/ May 18, 2004

By : Véronique RENOUS-CHAN

